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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: John A. Bross

SUBJECT: FBI Concern About Possible Encroachment by SIG(I)
on Their Prerogatives

1. In most earlier documents and directives relating to jurisdictional matters in the intelligence community the application was clearly to foreign intelligence. The draft order establishing the SIG(I) omits the word "foreign" as it applies to intelligence. This may be what is bothering the FBI.

2. The proposed directive makes provision for the committee's authority over counterintelligence as follows "develop standards and doctrine for the counterintelligence activities of the United States..."

3. The proposed order goes on to provide that "the interdepartmental group for counterintelligence shall consists of representatives of the Director of Central Intelligence (Chairman); representatives of the Secretary of State; Secretary of Defense; Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs; Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation; the Director, National Security Agency and a representative of the head of any other Intelligence Community organization directly involved in the activities under discussion."

4. With these terms of reference the FBI may have some reason to feel that it is in danger of being submerged in the bureaucracy.

5. I suggest that, if possible, you give Judge Webster a ring before your departure and simply tell him that on your return you will work out language to ensure recognition of the FBI's authority over domestic counterintelligence.



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